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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 1121

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM SOCI PORS LA

SUBJECT: FOOD VENDORS ARRESTED

REF: VIENTIANE 1093

1. EMBOFF JULY 30 SAW A BUS BEING LOADED WITH YOUNG PEOPLE NEAR A DISTRICT JAIL IN VIENTIANE. PEOPLE ON THE BUS, WHO SPOKE TO EMBOFF BRIEFLY, SAID THAT THEY WERE BEING TAKEN TO THE PRISONER ISLANDS OF DONE THAO AND DONE NANG. THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 45 PEOPLE ON THE BUS, MOSTLY YOUNG MEN.

2. AN AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN VIENTIANE WHO HAPPENED ON THE SCENE EARLIER SAID HE SAW TWO SUCH BUSES BEING LOADED WITH PEOPLE FROM THE JAIL.

3. A LOCAL RESIDENT WHOSE HOME IS NEAR THE DISTRICT JAIL REPORTEDLY WAS TOLD BY THE PRISONERS THAT THEY
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HAD BEEN ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTING TO SELL FOOD IN VIENTIANE'S FREE MARKET.

4. COMMENT: THE GOVERNMENT CRACKDOWN ON FREE MARKET FOOD SALES REPORTED PARA 10 REFTEL IS BEING STRICTLY ENFORCED. THE FAILURE OF THE GOVERNMENT TO DEVELOP AN ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTE SYSTEM OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION IN THE

CITY HAS PROMPTED MANY PEOPLE TO BUY AND SELL FOOD IN
THE TRADITIONAL WAY DESPITE THE THREAT OF ARREST.
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